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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Koya Suzuki, et al.

Group Art Unit: 3679

Serial No.: 09/972,448

Examiner: Ernesto Garcia

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For: JOINING STRUCTURE FOR TWO MEMBERS, AND PROPELLER SHAFT

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

In response to the Office Action dated February 6, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks and amendments.

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